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This is being sent in response to a telephone Status Check Inquiry conducted by my secretary on December 3, 2001 since we had not heard anything from the U.S.P.T.O. since our April 5 amendment. In speaking with the Customer Service Department, they told us you were awaiting our response to the November 8 Office Action and to fax our Amendment to your attention.

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